There are very many obstacles in cutting open the Mundati *chira* and it is not therefore proposed to cut it open.

The points relating to (1) the improvements to the Tukilasseri road (2) the construction of a bridge at Pulikizh and (3) the provision of a *junghar* at the place mentioned will be referred to the Road Board.

About the Manimala road, the Chief Engineer will be asked to investigate.]

106. Needs of the Tiruvalla taluk.

MR. C. G. PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla taluk, Group II*) said that the practice by which the replies to Assembly representations were prepared in advance, after making consultations with the heads of departments, might be compared to writing judgements in lawsuits before trial. It would be better if the suggestions and views of the members were heard before the opinions of the departmental heads were accepted for the purpose of giving replies.

The funds which were sanctioned for the purpose of constructing culverts on the Chenganur—Mannar road should be utilised. An estimate for the work had been sanctioned. The provision made in the budget for opening the Puliyur—Mannar road should not be allowed to lapse. The road should be treated as a cart road.

A bridge was necessary at Poovanakkal. A *junghar* service should be introduced at the Arttupuzha ferry in the Pamba river. The matter might be left to the Road Board.

Culverts should be constructed on the following roads:—

(i) Venmani—Kodukulanji road ;

(ii) Kumbanad—Ranni road;

(iii) Tiruvanvandur road ; and

(iv) Tottapuzhasseri—Maraman road.

An approach road to the English High School at Chenganur should be opend from the 1st furlong of the Chenganur—Kozhencherry road. The premises of the school should be extended by acquiring further lands.

A temporary shed was being used for the primary School at Edanad. A permanant building should be constructed for the purpose. High school classes should be opened in the Chenganur English Middle School for Girls.

A woman doctor should be appointed in the Kozhencherry hospital. The recognised Ayurveda *Vaidyasala* at Edanad should be given grant-in-aid. A permanent building should be constructed for the dispensary at Chenganur.

DEWAN'S REPLY :-Mr. Parameswaran Pillai, I do not know what your idea is. Because I have got a big book before me to which I refer, you think that replies are written beforehand. Is it your idea that when the Government get a list of the subjects which the members of the Assembly are going to press upon their attention, they ought not to take any action upon them until the meeting of the Assembly? What is being done is that, when you tell me beforehand that you are going to press a subject, I find out what has been done in the matter, and, if there is any delay, what is the cause of the delay so that I might give an answer to you. But if it is your opinion that the Dewan should not take any action but should come here without any information on the subject, I must tell you that it is not the proper way of doing business. You represent some of your grievances and some of your needs to Government and you expect some reply from the Government on those subjects. I never thought that a member of the Assembly would stand up and say that, because I am trying to answer him, I am writing a judgment beforehand. I am very sorry to hear that I have to know, if it is a subject that was represented before, what was the reply given, and what different reasons if any there are now, to induce me to give a different reply. Until I have sufficient reason to believe that the view that you have expressed is the view of all the members of the Assembly, I am sorry I cannot follow your advice.

With regard to the second point that you referred to, I may tell you that the gravelling of that road, that is the Puliyur-Mannar road, has been sanctioned. That is a village road now. You want that to be treated as a cart road. That has been sanctioned.

I will take up your fifth and eighth points together; the question of the extension of the premises of the English school has been taken up by the Government and land acquisition proceedings are in progress.

In reply to your representation for the award of a grant to a recognised *Vaidyasala* at Edanad, I may tell you that there are on the average two *Vaidyasalas* for every seven *pakuthies* in the whole State, while the average in your taluk is one *Vaidyasala* for two *pakuthies*. I do not mean that it is an unalterable standard; but that will show that your *pakuthies* are not starved. With regard to the particular *Vaidyasala*, I will refer it to the Director of Ayurveda, and see if there is justifiable necessity for opening a *Vaidyasala* there.

Then in regard to the dispensary at Chenganur, you say that the building in which the dispensary is now housed is not commodious enough. But I understand that it is a commodious enough building, though it is a rented one, and that the question of constructing a Government building for that purpose need not immediately be taken up.

Your representation with regard to means of communication will be referred to the Road Board.